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Letter dated 2 July 2015 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Burundi to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to submit to you the statement by the Heads of African diplomatic missions in Burundi regarding the communal and parliamentary elections held on 29 June 2015.

I kindly request that you share its contents with other Security Council member States as a document of the Council.

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Statement by the Heads of African diplomatic missions in Burundi

Bujumbura, 30 June 2015

The undersigned African Heads of diplomatic missions in Burundi,[a] having observed and taken note of the recent political and security situation in Burundi, wish to make the following statement:

1. We congratulate the Burundi Government, the electoral body (Commission électorale nationale indépendante) and the people of Burundi for the successful conduct of communal and parliamentary elections in spite of resource constraints and security threats.

2. We express concern about and condemn the acts of violence related to the electoral process. We further urge the international community to equally condemn these acts, which have led to the deaths of many innocent Burundians.

3. We support all efforts led by the regional East African Community initiative in encouraging and facilitating dialogue in finding solutions to the Burundi situation.

4. We note the turnout of the legislative election and hope that there will be a reflection on the will and wishes of the Burundian people.

5. We encourage the continuation of the dialogue among all the stakeholders with a view to creating lasting stability and national unity.

6. During this period, we commit to continue engagement with all the stakeholders, giving factual information to our Governments, and to assist Burundi in good faith in finding its own solutions.

7. In conclusion, we wish to express our heartfelt condolences to the Government and the people of Burundi for the death of over 30 Burundian troops who were killed in the service of the African Union Mission in Somalia.

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[a] Signed by the representatives of Kenya, South Africa, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania.